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## FANWOOD

Several weeks ago the real estate sections of the metropolitan daily newspapers carried notices of the sale of a tract of land to the Corporation of the New York School for the Deaf. Much comment has been going on among those interested in our School, in regard to the purchase and its bearing on the future of Fanwood, but it takes time for the final details of a large undertaking to be consummated. However, Superintendent Skyberg at this time is able to announce the closing of negotiations entered into by the School for the acquisition of the new School site.

A special committee of the Board of Directors, consisting of Messrs. Joseph R. Barr, Philip Hiss and C. Gouverneur Hoffman, was appointed to investigate suitable locations within a reasonable distance from the city. After a great deal of investigation and by eliminating such properties as did not meet with the specifications called for, the choice of a site was narrowed down to one north of White Plains.

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors on June 27th, the committee was authorized to proceed to negotiate for the purchase of the property, which was concluded on September 6th.

In referring to the purchase, the President of the Board, Major Francis G. Landon, made an interesting comment relative to the past history of the School. Each time the School moved, it moved "Way out in the country." First in 1829 from Warren Street to the meadows between Fourth and Fifth Avenues and 48th and 50th Streets, then to the woodland heights at Fort Washington in 1856, and now again the new site lies way out in the country, on a hilltop in Westchester County.

It is interesting to make a comparison between the recent transaction and the one which took place when the present School site was purchased. At that time, the Directors purchased a total of twenty-nine acres at what was then considered a reasonable price. The School was able to make a downpayment of only one-tenth of the purchase cost, and carried the balance as a mortgage for many years. At this time it has been possible to purchase almost three times as great an area at one-third of the cost of the present property. And, furthermore, the purchase has been made in cash. What our immediate plans are to be cannot be said at this time, but the Board of Directors is ready to act when it is necessary and the time is propitious.

The new site lies about 1¼ miles north of the White Plains Station and Community Center and to the west of the Bronx River Parkway. The property can be reached by car from the station in five minutes time.

Through the generosity of Mr. Joseph R. Barr of the Board of Directors, seventy-five pupils, accompanied by teachers and supervisors, enjoyed the matinee performance of "The Great Waltz," at the Rockefeller Center Theatre, Wednesday afternoon, September 26th. The stage settings and scenic effects were most elaborate and effective and the beautiful costuming and the exquisite dancing of the performers delighted our children greatly. We appreciate Mr. Barr's thoughtfulness of our children.

For some time past the cadets have been having their daily practice at drill. With the increase in the number of boys enrolled at Fanwood, the battalion is now composed of four companies. Tentative selections of

cadet officers have been made, and when the probationary period has been completed, announcements of the permanent appointments will be made.

One of the athletic activities among the boys at the school that has flourished by itself is handball. And from time immemorial the "court" is the small rectangular area west of the Academic building. Most every day during play periods there is a hotly contested game in progress between picked teams, with an appreciative group of spectators on the side lines.

## Portland, Oregon

It was on the 13th of August instead of the 6th, that Miss Frieda Keifer, of Chicago, Ill., became the wife of Mr. Fred Wondrack. The marriage took place at Vancouver, Wash., by the Justice of Peace. They are now living happily in an apartment house in the Rose City, and all their friends wish them a long happy and prosperous life.

Many of the deaf went out in the hopfields during September, which season has now ended. A strike was called after a day or so, in which a raise was given and all went back to work, and made fair money. Nearly 3,000 walked out for only one day.

Mr. Charles Gannon has been very unlucky the past year, as after just getting over a broken hand, he returned to work and after a few days caught one of his fingers in a moving-saw, cutting part of it off.

The members of the Hope Lutheran Church are rejoicing over the news that Rev. E. Eichmann, their pastor, will remain here, instead of going to St. Louis, Mo., where he had a call. Rev. Eichmann has a worked hard, and built up a good increase in membership during the years he served the church.

Mr. George Kreidt visited his sister on their farm near Canby, Ore., recently, on his way home from the hopyards. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, who were also hop picking, were passengers on Mr. Kreidt's car. They also called on the Livingtons, who live near there. The above party also called on the Lindstroms, a couple of times at Salem during hop harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jack, of Chehalis, Wash., who are very popular among the deaf around Puget Sound and Portland, are anxious to know the doings of the deaf throughout the United States, so subscribed to this popular newspaper of the deaf. Surely the Jacks cannot do without the DEAF MUTES' JOURNAL, because they travel to most of the big doings in Seattle, Tacoma and Portland. Both make friends easily on account of their jolly and pleasant disposition, treating everybody alike.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Rath are the proud parents of a baby boy, born recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson and Mr. Kreidt visited Mr. and Mrs. LaFave up near Independence, Ore., during the hop season. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, who live nearby, also called. All had a pleasant stay, chatting away the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hastings and family spent a week at Cannon Beach during August, and report they all had a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Linde and two sons were at Cannon Beach during Mr. Linde's vacation for a week.

Anyone coming to Portland expecting to find employment, will need some means to live on for a year or more, as it is impossible to get work here, and a cold winter is expected, according to the weather forecast. Many are idle, depending on county relief for food. The situation is getting worse, with high food prices and no employment.

H. P. N.

## NEW YORK CITY

### ST. ANN'S NOTES

The first stage entertainment of the season 1934-5 at St. Ann's Church was the presentation on Saturday evening, September 29th, of four one-act playlets by the ladies of the V. B. G. A., assisted by a few volunteers recruited from the other sex. An excellent performance was the result of the labors of Miss Anna Klaus, chairman of the entertainment. The players apparently did not miss a line of their parts, though they could not put in much time rehearsing for a September affair. The performance began earlier than usual, and did not take too long to finish, and the waits between acts were briefer than ordinary. There was lots of action in the final playlet, including a real live ghost. The program was as follows:—

### THE BARGAIN COUNTER

Shopper	Sadie Laverty
Salesman	Edmund Hicks
Saleswoman	Mary Muir

### POOR HERBERT'S MONEY

Mr. Wartburton, a lawyer	Guilbert Braddock
Mrs. Tompkins, a quiet soul	Anna Klaus

### Relatives of the Deceased

Maise Bright	Ethel Diekman
Cornelius Hinch	Victor Anderson
Mrs. Hinch	Anna Feger
Jasper Murphy	Ernest Marshall

### SO'S YOUR AUNT ANNA

Mrs. Hunt	Anna Klaus
Lucille Lake	Elsie Funk
Nellie Blake	Margaret Gillen
Mrs. Lake	Ione Dibble
Jean, her niece	Nancy Tyree
Miss Gardner	Lulu Demmerle

### THE HAUNTED HOTEL

Landlord	Edmund Hicks
Sam Snowball	Mary Muir
General Johnson	Alice Atkinson
Old Crazy Lize	Elsie DiGiovanni
The Departed Ghost	Dorothy Peters

After the show refreshments were on sale in the Tea Room, by Mrs. Seltzer and her helpers. There were about eighty people in the seats, and that was a good record for a rainy evening.

### W. P. A. S.

Among the matters discussed at the meeting of the Women's Parish Aid Society held on Thursday evening, September 20th, was a literary affair under the management of Mrs. Isabella Fosmire to be held some time in November. A small admission fee will be charged for the benefit of the Society's treasury.

New plans for the coming Bazaar in November were announced by Miss Klaus. Card games will be given in the social room.

The so-called China Fund was changed for the Kitchen Fund in order to include new fittings for the church kitchen. The members hope to swell the fund soon enough to purchase the needed articles. Mrs. Ben Baca is chairman, with three able assistants.

After the adjournment of the meeting, refreshments were served at a social by Mrs. Charles Olsen, assisted by Mrs. Louis Radlein, in which the Men's Club joined.

The Asbury Park Press, of September 29th, had an item about a record catch by Stephen Dundon, who pulled in a fluke weighing seventeen pounds, and which was three inches thick. It was caught on sand worms at the Shark River Inlet.

Mr. Edgar Bloom, Jr., who made a tour around the world, returned home last week, and his tales of what he saw at all the places the ship stopped, and the tourists visited, has kept his friends listening to him with interest.

### H. A. D.

Bare and deserted throughout the Summer season, the Community Centre, 210 West 91st Street, is now a scene of endless activity. The fall activities start with an "Open House Gathering" at the Community Centre on Sunday evening, October 7th at 8 P.M. It is free to all. Come, one, come all, and talk about your summer experiences and enjoy yourselves in other ways..

Regular Friday evening religious services will be resumed on Friday evening, October 12th, at 8 o'clock. Rabbi Harry Gutmann will officiate. Everybody welcome. The Wednesday gym activities, which have been "asleep" for a long time, will begin on October 10th for girls, and on the 24th for boys. They will be under the direction of Arthur Krueger. Since a busy season is expected, it is hoped as many as possible will come to these activities.

Boys' and girls' basketball teams are now being organized for the coming season, and Athletic Director Arthur Krueger is very busy making the schedule.

### B. H. S. D.

There were over 100 deaf people at the Rosh Hashona (New Year) services September 10th and 11th, and also on Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement), September 18th and 19th. Rabbi Landsman officiated at all the services, with his assistant C. H. Klein. Mrs. Walter Barnett, one of our members, passed away September 20th. The reopening meeting will be held on October 14th with all members expected to be present. There will be a Hallowe'en party after the meeting. Small charge of admission to all, with fine prizes to be given to the winners of the games.

With the coming of the N. A. D. convention came the charming and ever youthful Mrs. Margaret Boswell, of Washington, D. C., a former resident of Brooklyn, with the expectation of a short stay at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Donovan, of Richmond Hill. However, that expectation was shattered when the Jolly Jabber Club took her in tow and entertained her so royally with card parties, outings and a bus ride to Heckscher Park, L. I., that her departure was put off until October 6th. A farewell party was given her recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Herring, of Bellville, N. J., where she was presented with a beautiful hand bag, a parting gift from the club members. The final farewell party was given last Sunday at the home of Mrs. E. Schackenberg at Sheepshead Bay. Mrs. Schackenberg used all her culinary skill and served a supper fit for a king. The day passed too quickly with fun and laughter and Mrs. Boswell declared these few short weeks in N. Y., were one of the pleasantest parts of her life, long to be remembered. Those present besides Mrs. Boswell were Mr. and Mrs. G. Donovan, Mr. and Mrs. F. Herring, Mr. and Mrs. L. Metzger, Mr. and Mrs. M. Klopsch, Mr. and Mrs. C. Schneider, Mrs. E. Schackenberg, Mrs. Holt, Miss Gladys Williams, Emil Mayer and John Maier.

Mr. Louis Lyons celebrated his seventy-third birthday last week with a visit to the JOURNAL office and renewed his subscription. He also regaled the young apprentices with tales of the track events of his younger days when he ran on the cinder path with W. H. Rose, Grimm, and other winged-footers of that day.

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## SEATTLE

The opening fall social, under Mr. and Mrs. A. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Bodley, was held at the Lutheran hall, Saturday evening. The audience was asked to favor playing bridge or games and bridge won unanimously. Before starting Mr. Martin gave several interesting stories. Mrs. Annie Paterson and W. S. Root were awarded first prizes, and sandwiches, cookies and coffee were served.

Mrs. John Adams capably planned the monthly luncheon for the Seattle ladies at the residence of Mrs. Gustin, September 12th, as her own home is too far out in Renton. A pleasant time was had by all, and Mrs. Adams presented Mrs. A. Martin, Mrs. Koberstein and Mrs. Gustin, nice gifts for bridge and other games.

True Partridge, the president of the P. S. A. D., and his better half invited the officers of this club and their wives to their home, the evening of September 14th, for a little business and for a game of bridge. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. Mr. and Mrs. Partridge were entertaining for a week, a niece, her husband and a little son, from Spokane.

After a month's absence Frank Morrissey returned from Wisconsin, well pleased with the trip. He visited his brother whom he had not seen for nearly forty years, and he also visited the fair in Chicago, where he met our good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Meagher. Frank's children were glad to have their dad back home.

Prof. and Mrs. Hunter, of Vancouver, finished picking and shipping their grapes, and on information that the opening of the school was postponed till October 1st, they immediately motored to Hunter's Den on the shore of Lake Sutherland. They left a crate of grapes at Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jack in Chehalis when they stopped overnight there. The reason of the delayed starting the Vancouver School for the Deaf is on account of infantile paralysis, being prevalent everywhere. The Seattle schools did not open till a week later and the good rains reduced the danger of this disease.

Mrs. Bert Haire was saddened over the passing of her dear friend and "second" mother, Mrs. L. A. Humbert in Gary, S. Dak., September 3d. She was superintendent of the South Dakota School for the Deaf, a few years about 1907, and the first superintendent of the school for the blind at Gary, S. Dak., and kept working there for sixteen years. Her sister, Ida, D. Elliott, taught at the Colorado school for twenty-five years. Mrs. Haire has frequently mentioned Mrs. Humbert's name lovingly during her residence in Seattle for nearly twenty-five years. Losing her own mother through death when a tiny child, Mrs. Haire went to school where Mrs. Humbert saw her and "adopted" her. Mr. and Mrs. Haire named their oldest child, Dora, after Mrs. Humbert, the deceased.

George Oelschlager, of Alderwood Manor, said he was relieved to be home again after the summer heat in Minnesota, where he visited friends and relatives for several weeks. His new Chevrolet did not give him any trouble both ways. He is living on his farm near his brother, Harry, and his wife.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thoms, the newly married young couple, had their second "honeymoon" going to Bremerton by ferry and motoring to Sea Beach to visit a sister. They drove to Port Orchard and Olalla, where they enjoyed visits with friends and relatives. They returned with lots of fruit that Mrs. Thoms canned.

Miss Dora Haire underwent an operation for appendicitis at St. Luke's Hospital. She is doing nicely and is expected to be sent home today.

A few days ago Mrs. Hanson went to a hospital in the university district and had a slight operation. She is home, convalescing nicely.

Little George, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Martin, broke a bone near his left shoulder while playing. After a

few days at Harborview Hospital he went back to school, all bandaged up.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown were entertained at the cute furnished four-room apartment of Mr. and Mrs. C. Thoms, with a fine luncheon and a game of bridge, the other evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Reeves have purchased a nice looking horse for their farm of five acres near Kent. Mr. Reeves loves to work there.

Miss Walsh, of Portland, was in Seattle with relatives. She called on Mrs. Hanson, while the latter was having one of her weekly clubs.

Mrs. Emily Eaton has been given a street car pass for the blind. Though not totally sightless, she is able to go out only with an escort.

John Bodley's daughter, Mrs. Paulson, and her husband, moved back to Seattle from Tacoma to Mrs. Paulson's own house, acquired several years ago, a few blocks from the Bodley's domain. Mr. Paulson is in partnership in a sheet metal shop.

Miss Betty Garrison and her brother, Edward, enjoyed several days on Camano Island before the opening of the school. They think there is no better place than this lovely island.

Miss Yvonne Ziegler started high school this fall, and her brother, Herbert, left for Yakima to try for work in the apple harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright's daughter, Mrs. Alberta Boutyette, cabled from Moscow, Russia, September 10th, that she was on her way back to New York, her home. She took her vacation abroad on the American Scantic Line, August 16th, going around the British Isles through the Baltic Sea and visiting Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsingford, Leningrad, and other noted European cities.

### PUGET SOUND.

September 23d.

### Lutheran Missionaries' Conference

The Ephphatha Conference of Lutheran Missionaries met in Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, Duluth, Minn., August 10th to 14th. Thirteen of the eighteen full-time pastors of the deaf were in attendance: Rev. E. Eichmann, Portland, Ore., Chairman; Rev. E. J. Scheibert, Detroit, Mich., Secretary; Rev. A. C. Dahms, of Chicago; Rev. F. C. Gade, of Milwaukee, Wis.; Rev. A. E. Ferber, Kansas City, Mo.; Rev. E. Mappes, Omaha, Neb.; Rev. J. A. C. Beyer, St. Paul, Minn.; Rev. J. L. Salvner, Minneapolis, Minn.; Rev. W. O. Ferber, Duluth; Rev. F. A. Hischke, Spokane, Wash.; Rev. W. A. Westermann, Seattle, Wash.; and Rev. M. E. Mueller, Waco, Texas. Rev. O. C. Schroeder, of Chicago, was also present. His time is divided between the blind, deaf-blind and deaf. Rev. A. H. Kuntz, of Alhambra, Cal., editor of the *Lutheran Messenger for the Blind*, attended part of the sessions.

Five full-time missionaries among the deaf were unable to attend: Rev. Arthur Boll, New York; Rev. E. C. Baker, Indianapolis, Ind.; Rev. C. Schubkegel, St. Louis, Mo.; Rev. G. W. Gaertner, Oakland, Cal.; and Rev. G. H. Ferber, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Also a number of other Lutheran pastors are devoting part of their time to the spiritual needs of the deaf in the United States and Canada, but found it impossible to attend: Rev. K. A. Kriesel, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada; Rev. Wm. Gielow, Detroit, Mich.; Rev. Theo. Frederking, Shelby, Mich.; Rev. J. A. Resner, Great Bend, Kan.; Prof. E. A. Wolfram, Winfield, Kan.; and Rev. A. H. Besalski, Jackson, Miss.

To several members of the conference, certain Bible portions were assigned to be rendered in signs; and much time was spent in discussing the best signs to convey the meaning of the respective passages. The sign-language being the most effective means of reaching and influencing the deaf for their spiritual development and improvement, the Lutheran Church entertains no thought of limiting its work in the very natural and expressive sign-language in any degree, but is rather encouraging the

more general study of it on the part of its clergy.

The problem of serving the deaf who live scattered and isolated to a very regrettable extent over our broad land was discussed at length, as was the work of our pastors in the various state schools for the deaf.

An essay explaining a portion of the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians was read by Rev. J. L. Salvner, and another essay upon the letter to the Romans was read by Rev. E. J. Scheibert. "Pastoral and Missionary Calls: their Purpose and the Manner of Making Them" was the subject of a paper by Rev. O. C. Schroeder.

A demonstration lecture on the first three commandments was read and signed by Rev. J. A. C. Beyer. These lectures are given at our conferences to exchange ideas on methods and subject matter used in preparing the deaf for communicant membership, as the Lutheran church requires a knowledge and understanding of the teachings of the Christian religion before it admits anyone to the Lord's Supper.

Following the business session on Saturday afternoon, a sight-seeing trip was enjoyed over the justly-famed Skyline Drive of Duluth and along the fascinating north shore of Lake Superior.

The conference attended the Sunday morning services of Mt. Olive Church in a body, Rev. A. E. Ferber speaking at the invitation of the local pastor, Rev. E. Kirsch. The afternoon service for the deaf and visiting pastors only was conducted entirely in signs, Rev. F. C. Gade preaching the sermon. Pastor F. A. Hischke delivered the confessional address, after which the pastors partook of the Lord's Supper together with the deaf.

A delightful supper was served by the Duluth deaf, during and after which social visiting was enjoyed between the deaf of Duluth and Superior and the clergy. The evening service was for the deaf and the hearing, and the church was well-filled. Rev. J. L. Salvner spoke and signed the sermon.

On Monday three sessions were held, extending from 9 A.M. to 10 P.M. Matters pertaining to the growth and expansion of this most necessary and richly blessed work among the deaf of the United States and Canada were discussed by the conference and the Board of Missions for the Deaf and the Blind.

On behalf of the conference, Pastor A. C. Dahms addressed congratulatory remarks to Rev. O. C. Schroeder upon the completion of his twenty-fifth year in the ministry, and to Rev. A. H. Kuntz upon the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination.

Refreshed and inspired by this splendid conference, the members returned to their respective fields with renewed vigor, zeal and consecration to bring to ever-increasing numbers of deaf the gracious message of salvation in Christ Jesus, the entire world's only Savior.

J. B.

[Another evidence that the sign-language is not quite dead is presented in the actions of the above.—Ed.]

### COME AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

## ANNUAL HALLOWE'EN PARTY

at the  
AUDITORIUM OF  
**ST. ANN'S CHURCH**  
511 West 148th St., New York City

**Wednesday, October 31**

At 8:15 P.M.

Prizes—Sale of refreshments

All proceeds will go to the Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners Fund for the Poor

**Admission, - - 35 cents**

You'll find a lot of fun and have a good time!

## Canadian News

News items for this column, and subscriptions, may be sent to Mrs. A. M. Adam, 5 Fairholt Road N., Hamilton, Ont., Canada.

### HAMILTON

Mr. Newell, of Milton, spent Sunday, September 23d, in the city, visiting some of his deaf friends, who were pleased to see him again. He dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and then attended the service in the Centenary Church; afterwards, he called on Mr. and Mrs. Howard Breen and had supper with them, before returning home. We hope Mr. Newell will be able to attend our Hallowe'en party.

Miss Winifred Breen spent Sunday, September 23d, with friends in Galt and had a very pleasant time.

The season's activities will be resumed with the re-opening of the clubs here early next month. In addition to the meeting to be held on the 6th, in All Saints Parish hall, when Mr. John T. Shilton will be the guest speaker of the evening, there will be a grand Hallowe'en masquerade party on the 20th, which will be held in the Pure Milk Company's hall, 181 John Street N.

Twenty-five cents will be charged for admission and prizes will be awarded for the best costumes.

To all you pirates, quakers, clowns, Queen Elizabeths and dancing geishas, get out your costumes and repair the damage done by the moths and come and give them an airing in Hamilton on the 20th, and be sure of having a real good time.

### TORONTO

The Frats of this city are having a big Hallowe'en masquerade on the 27th of October. Good prizes will be given for the best and most original costumes and all are assured of a rollicking good time!

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gleadow, of Hamilton, were in the city on a recent Saturday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Grooms.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gerow, and Mr. R. McBrien, of Peterboro, were recent visitors to the city.

Mr. Charles Elliott has been staying with Mr. Vernon Woodward for some time and is expected to return next month. Mr. Elliott's eyesight is now much improved and he has been able to do some light work.

A. M. ADAM.

Sept. 25th.

### The Church Mission to the Deaf

#### PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL

Dioceses of Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, and Erie  
Rev. Warren M. Smaltz, M.A., S.T.B.,  
General Missionary  
718 Guilford Street, Lebanon, Pa.  
Mr. Frank A. Leitner, Licensed Lay-Reader,  
929 East End Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

All inquiries, etc., should be addressed to the General Missionary. His services are at the free disposal of anyone, and he will gladly answer all calls. Regular services are held monthly, as follows:—

First Sunday of the month.—Lancaster, St. John's Church, 10 A.M. York, St. John's Church, 2:30 P.M. Harrisburg, St. Andrew's, 7:30 P.M.

Second Sunday of the month.—Pottsville, Trinity Church, 11 A.M. Allentown, The Mediator, 3 P.M. Reading, Christ Church, 7:30 P.M.

Third Sunday of the month.—Johnstown, St. Mark's Church, 11 A.M. Greensburg, Christ Church, 2:30 P.M. Pittsburgh, Trinity Cathedral, 7:30 P.M.

Fourth Sunday of the month.—Hazleton, St. Peter's Church, 11 A.M. Scranton, St. Luke's Church, 2:30 P.M. Wilkes-Barre, St. Stephen's, 7:30 P.M.

Monthly services are given, by appointment, at the following places: Williamsport, Franklin, Oil City, Erie, Beaver Falls, Monongahela, Donora, Altoona, Shamokin, Easton, Lebanon and Punxsutawney. Celebrations of the Holy Communion, and all special services, are by appointment. For full information address the Missionary.

#### Protestant Episcopal Missions

Dioceses of Washington and the States of Virginia and West Virginia.  
Rev. H. Lorraine Tracy, General Missionary,  
3821 South Dakota Avenue, N. E., Washington, D. C.  
Washington, D. C.—St. Mark's Church, A and Third Streets, S. E. Services first and third Sundays, 3 P.M.  
Services elsewhere by appointment.



## CHICAGOLAND

Besides the annual dance and cards which will be given by Chicago Division, No. 106, as advertised in this paper, there are two other major affairs of yearly species in the making. One is already arranged by Chicago League of Hebrew Deaf for November 17th, at Three Links Building, Western Avenue, near Lawrence Avenue. The details will be forthcoming in later issues.

The other, which will be the encore of last year, is to be all for the benefit of Illinois Home for the Aged Deaf. As before, it is to be renamed "City-Wide Event," coached by the same woman of restless enterprise, Mrs. Rose Ursin. This coming Friday night, she will have a meeting at her home, where every Chicago club representative will attend and work out the affair slated for November 24th. Probably it will mark a supreme effort to meet the crisis that the Illinois Home for the Aged Deaf is undergoing, such as the triple situations; the impending resignation of the present matron, the inevitable encroachment on the principal funds after the dwindling income is exhausted, and the apparent necessity for the removal of the Home from the colored neighborhood.

Rev. Rutherford has returned from his monthly circuit of three weeks, and is devoting the balance of the month to Chicago affairs, of which the problems of Illinois Association of the Deaf form the principal part. From indications, he is putting forth efforts to meet them with enthusiasm that a newly-elected president usually feels and much hope is entertained for the future.

It is generally known that the deaf are not necessarily stone deaf, and those of them who have a degree of hearing might be interested to know which theaters in this territory have hearing aid equipment. They are Indiana Harbor Theater, Indiana Harbor, Ind.; Alcyon, Highland Park; Theater Del Lago, No Man's Land; Adelphi, Rogers Park; Pickwick, Park Ridge; Lido, Maywood; Forest, Forest Park; Granada, Rogers Park; United Artists, in the Loop; Tivoli, Woodlawn; Dearborn, near north side, and Goodman Theatre, Monroe at Grant Park. Likewise, the hearing devices have been permanently installed in the Adler Planetarium.

William Evison did not appear to regard the coming winter as an interference with his new profession as a landscaper. He is working hard calling the home owners' attention to the fact that September and October are the best time to start a lawn, while weed competition is at a minimum. Among services he renders may be enumerated lawn maintenance, beautification of home grounds, and building and stocking of water lily pools.

The August issue of *The Atlantic Monthly* carried an article that might be of interest to the deaf, being entitled "Pioneers in Silence."

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Costenino became parents once more again; this time, the baby tipped the scale nine and one-half pounds on September 9th, the day of birth.

Mrs. Esther Janess had the pleasure of visiting her cousin and family in Villa Park, Ill., recently.

Ephpheta Social Center gave bunco and "500," September 8th, 16th, and 20th, managed by C. Braum, Mrs. C. Riha, and Mrs. L. Fay, respectively, at its locale, 635 South Ashland Boulevard.

Rev. P. J. Hasenstab recently suffered arthritis for ten days or thereabouts. At present he recovered sufficiently to hold his regular services, Sunday, September 16th.

It will be the first time this correspondent takes occasion to make a passing comment on the N. A. D. convention, where he was a constant, interested spectator. He felt called upon to give his experiences and still further correct misapprehensions concerning the personnel of the new officials, mostly eastern addresses. As a matter of fact, it was New Yorkers

themselves that did best to keep the Board of Directors as representative of the United States as possible. When the nominations for the directors were entered on the blackboard, it became apparent to the New Yorker that there was too great a preponderance of their kind in the race. One of them was not slow to attempt to stem it. It was Samuel Frankenheim, who asked the writer if he would not mind being nominated for the reasons given above. Another name was proposed, so the slate turned out to be, as named on the blackboard, Dr. Fox, Fred Moore, Dr. Nies, Mr. Hetzler, of Indiana; Peter Livshis, of Chicago; and finally F. L. Ascher, of New England. Prior to the election, Troy Hill made a motion that the majority vote rule be suspended, and that the three Board of Directors having the most votes be declared elected at one time. It was carried. Had the majority ruling been adhered to, it would have been possible that the Board of Directors could have been more representative. Owing to the pressure of insufficient time, very few cared to trouble to have each director elected one by one separately. Under such circumstances, New Yorkers were far from blameworthy. The writer was surprised that he should have received over eighty votes compared with Hetzler's about 110 voted, and closely followed by Ascher's total, and felt pretty sure that the votes came from no other than the New Yorkers themselves. P. L.

3811 W. Harrison St.

### National Association of the Deaf An Organization for the Welfare of all the Deaf

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(L. P. F. please copy)

October 1st, 1934.

In line with our expressed intention to effect closer contact with the deaf nationally and stimulate greater interest in this Association, a new Advisory Board of State Representatives is being created. At present writing, the following have already accepted leadership of their respective States:

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As soon as the roster has been completed, a plan of action will be submitted to each Representative with recommendations which, if carried out, should effectively ensure a more progressive Association.

Your officers are now in communication with the Federal authorities relative to reported P. O. Civil Service discrimination against the deaf. The Secretary will be pleased to receive any factual data in this connection for transmission to the proper authorities.

The crying need of the present hour is not cheap "criticism" but *closer cooperation*. Let those who have not yet joined our ranks, please do so NOW and thereby assist the new administration in attaining our objectives.

MARCUS L. KENNER, President.  
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## Baltimore, Md.

During the week of August 26th, Mr. and Mrs. C. Boggs, with their six-month-old baby, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hajna. Mrs. Boggs and Mrs. Hajna were classmates and roommates at Gallaudet College. Mr. Boggs, who is employed at the Goodyear tire factory, visited historical places in Baltimore, Annapolis and Washington, D. C. A party was given in their honor at Herdtfelders' home, where they made a big hit with us.

Miss E. Rogers, of South Carolina, made a brief stop-over here from her pleasant trip in the New England States. She stayed overnight with Miss E. Moss. The next day Miss Moss took her over to Annapolis to visit the Naval Academy. In the evening Miss Rogers took a bus to Richmond, Va., visiting the friends, then onward to her school to resume her duties as a teacher.

Miss L. Wilson, of Florida, spent the entire summer vacation with her relatives at the mountains in Virginia. It was the best vacation she ever had. She felt much rested and was ready to work earnestly as a teacher at Florida State School. She spent a few days visiting with the Wallaces. She took a boat to Savannah, Ga., then a bus to St. Augustine, Fla.

September 3d, Labor Day, the annual Frat's picnic was held at the Herring Run Park. It was under the direction of Chairman Taranski and his committeemen of Brothers Foxwell and Friedman. A small crowd was present, on account of threatening rain. In a softball game, the Washingtonians defeated the Baltimoreans easily by 3 to 16. Several other games were played.

Mr. Clyde Graham, of Spokane, Wash., spent a few days with the Wallaces. Last May he took a train to Chicago, where he was "fairing" for nearly two weeks. There, by a "lift," he went and visited important places in Detroit, Toronto, Buffalo, Rochester, Hartford, Boston, Portland, and further up in Maine; then returned through Providence, R. I., New York City, Asbury Park, where the Morro Castle is laid up; Philadelphia, Baltimore, and at present he is in Washington, D. C. He plans to go by Pittsburg, Cleveland, Toledo, and back to Chicago, where he will return by train to Spokane on his round-trip ticket. All sorts of transportation had carried him around by passenger-cars, trucks, police-car (in Maine) a horse-buggy and a good deal of hiking. On his way back he hopes to get a "lift" on a motorcycle and in a boat. He tried to secure a job everywhere, but in vain and in his opinion—a home, with his folks, is the best place to stay until the depression disappears.

During the past summer, Mr. F. Rebal and Mrs. L. Sacks spent their vacations in Baltimore. Miss L. Roberts stayed with her folks on the farm in West Virginia, and Miss "Mickey" McKellar with her friends in the New England States, especially in Providence, R. I. They all looked fine. They seemed to be eager to resume their duties at the school in Overlea.

The Board of Directors (Maryland Alumni Association) of Messrs. Nicol, Faupel, Price, Weinstein and McCall, and Mrs. Wallace, held a meeting at the Price home. Several important matters were taken up.

The members of the F. F. F. S. held a meeting at Mr. J. Pleifer's folk's home. New officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss McKellar; Vice-President, Miss Roberts; Secretary, Mrs. Sacks; Treasurer, Mrs. Rebal; Trustees, Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Wriede. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

A few weeks ago the Rebal's moved out to a new place which is closer to Mr. Rebal's work. They are more at home there and we can visit with them at any time. The new address is 4107 Overlea Avenue.

Miss E. Moss drove back to Indianapolis to resume her position

as a teacher. She may come home during the Christmas holiday.

September 1st, the Wallaces spent a few days with the Whildins at Miss O. Whildin's invitation at her summer cottage on the Mayothy River. The place is left more to nature with very little improvements, and it does look beautiful. They had a wonderful time. The eats were good and plentiful. The children enjoyed every minute and they hated like a bang when they had to return home.

September 1st, there was an after-meeting social of the Frats, which was attended by about eighty. A talk on "The Tricks of a Bacteriologist" was given by A. Hajna. Mr. Wriede told a few jokes. Three short comedies were given out by A. Omansky and W. Stone. Messrs. Hajna and Brushwood closed up the program with a comedy. Refreshments were served.

A few weeks ago Mr. William Hayes was slugged and robbed of his wallet and a few other personal belongings in Washington, D. C. He was taken to the hospital. At present he is well and back at his job.

The *Silent Mentor*, our local deaf paper, says Orlando, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Orlando K. Price, was married to a charming young lady on July 18th. Mrs. Watkins and children spent a month in North Carolina. Hubby bought a good used Ford car and intended to drive over to bring them back home. Leaving Saturday morning, he arrived near Richmond, Va., in the evening. A car came speeding down the road and crashed into Mr. Watkin's car, totally wrecking his Ford. The other car was also smashed up. Neither drivers were seriously hurt. Mr. Watkins was forced to take a train back to Baltimore and his wife and children returned by a later train. The case is now in the hands of Attorney Charles E. Moylan. J.

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EACH season offers us its own peculiar pleasure, and ere we meet "the melancholy days, the saddest of the year," October intervenes. Some authorities ascribe the name to it being the eighth month of the so-called year of Romulus, which became the tenth when Numa, the second king of Rome, who founded the temple of Janus and whose existence is probably legendary, is said to have changed the beginning of the year to January 1st. Others claim, and with much more probability, that October was the eighth month according to the ancient Roman reckoning. It is now the tenth month of the Julian year in the modern calendar, Julius Caesar having added two months.

In our climate the month of September just passed injected some of the icy chills of winter, which curtailed the vacations of tourists sojourning at mountain and seaside resorts. With the advent of October we usually look forward to a season of bright blue sky, golden sunsets and moderate temperature, luring one to quiet jaunts through the woods, where the falling leaves from the trees are somewhat bronzed and rusty; here and there one may have put on its full autumn splendor. The trees seem to be celebrating the last days of leafy life in a glow of gorgeous shades of russet, yellow and red, which charm the eye of the beholder. A few flowers may still continue in bloom and we may espy the golden rod, wild aster, and particularly the hop blossom, the flower of the month.

Nature is said to be full of compensations in the month of October, bringing sunny days that charm the eye and cheer the soul. Days bright with sunshine and nights pleasantly balmy are a welcome change from the variations of the previous month. With the atmospheric changes we have witnessed in the past several months, the question forces itself upon us, will the new month continue true to form?

A MOST interesting and enlightening article, entitled "On the Fringe of Silence," by Margaret Prescott Montague, appeared in the August issue of *The Atlantic Monthly*. The writer, apparently, is not "one of us," that is to say, one who has been educated in a school for the deaf, but she gives what may be considered an unbiased account of the experience of people hindered more or less by deafness.

Among other interesting things she says:—

Deafness is the stepchild among the handicaps. It begets more irritation and less understanding than any other physical impairment. We deaf become the butt of ridicule, too. If you doubt this, recall how often some old deaf person is the subject of a comic-strip. Do you ever see blind people caricatured, and would it amuse you if you did? Between the two, deafness and blindness—and I speak with some knowledge of both—I think loss of hearing causes more severe strain and isolation than loss of sight. Few realize the general suffering of the deaf caused by the unconscious cruelty of hearing people. I sympathize, of course, with those who have to live with a deaf person. There is one thing harder, however, and that is to be the deaf person lived with.

I asked one old lady, a particularly charming one, what she especially minded about her deafness. She said, "People's impatience, and being regarded as stupid." Yes, it would be helpful if our friends would realize that deaf ears, not feeble minds, make us slow on the uptake. For most of us are a rather alert lot. To keep in the conversational running at all, we must constantly perform mental gymnastics.

Because people unconsciously associate deaf ears with feeble minds we are frequently treated like children unable to speak for ourselves. I once left a doctor's office because he persisted in talking over my head to a hearing friend who was present, instead of to me, though the subject of conversation was an organ of my own. Perhaps he was merely following the path of least resistance, which for him was "Talk to hearing ears rather than to deaf ones." If so, he could scarcely blame me when I also followed that same path, which for me led straight out of his office and away to another doctor.

Anyone sufficiently kind to acquire the art of talking to the deaf will be astonished at the appreciation which his efforts beget, and may be rewarded by some delightful talk. What golden treasures of thought we have for those who will dig for them! And how simple the rules; simple, yet essential."

AT THIS time, when the country is faced with the necessity of providing for a large army of unemployed, considerably more thought is given to the training of handicapped children. Where this relates to deaf children, they are peculiarly fortunate that the direction of their education and training comes under the oversight and controlling of competent and sympathetic Superintendents and Principals.

Some of the children, usually grouped in the class of the handicapped, are rendered helpless by physical infirmities which renders them unfit for an equal struggle with others possessing strength and the full complement of senses. Some of these latter, as in the case of the crippled or otherwise hampered by physical ills, generally require the close attention of physicians and nurses, and thus form a very special class for educational purposes.

It is out of place to include in this group children who are merely deaf, and who, in addition to literary and vocational training, have their physical, mental and moral needs so carefully attended to in schools for the deaf. It is to be regretted that children of this character should ever be grouped, as to education and training, under the same administration with

the blind and feeble-minded. The sole peculiarity of the congenital deaf child is the lack of speech, with an added difficulty of acquiring language, both spoken and written. The policy of segregating the deaf in schools apart from other handicapped children is a sensible one; it enables them to maintain a spirit of self-respect and of personal responsibility—important aids to their future usefulness and happiness.

Experience has shown that the deaf find it sufficiently difficult to convince some people that their only defect is deafness; they are not of the class which, in the nature of their impediment, must always be dependent upon the public for support. The educated adult deaf seek to avoid from others any evidence of pity or sympathy, merely because of their lack of hearing. They ask only that they be considered as other people, somewhat inconvenienced by the accident of the loss of an important sense.

THE subjoined clipping from the *New York Evening Post* was sent to us by a friend. It would be highly pleasing and reassuring to know that the number of pupils mentioned in the clipping were *totally deaf*, and not merely hard of hearing.

## 115 DEAF PUPILS AT NEW YORK HIGH SCHOOLS

A survey of 445 graduates of Public School 47, Manhattan's school for the deaf, discloses that 115 entered regular high schools, taking their places with hearing children.

Twenty-five were graduated from high school, while fifteen attended evening high; one finished Cooper Union as a chemist, another has an engineering degree from Stevens Technical, one proved to be a prize French scholar at college, and fifty-four attended vocational high schools. There was one medical student.

## Report on Placements of the Deaf

Miss Margaret Helmle, the Placement Officer of the New York City section, reports the following placements for the month of August.

*New York School for the Deaf.*—Moulder on sample cards, learner operator on gloves 4, cutter on paper boxes, lamp shade sewer 2, artificial flower maker, bookbinding helper. Total 9.

*Lexington Avenue School.*—Operator on gloves, fountain pen assembler, button factory workers 2. Total 4.

*St. Joseph's School.*—Dressmaker, operator on dresses, learner operator on gloves. Total 3.

*Other Schools.*—Lamp shade sewer, trimmer on hats, gluer on lamp shades 2, binder on lamp shades, painter. Total 6.

Total placements 22. Field visits made especially for the deaf 46. Contacts with shoe unions and Textile Association are still being carried on, but the strike situation has stopped all activity.

## Mrs. Mary A. Detwiler

Mrs. Mary A. Detwiler, of Lansdale, Pa., wife of John L. Detwiler, died September 13th, after suffering from kidney and heart ailments for about two months. Her home was at Seventh Street and Maple Avenue, Lansdale.

The deceased was born in Philadelphia. She resided in Lansdale for forty-five years. She was 69 years old. Surviving are her husband and a brother, both of Philadelphia, and a sister, Mrs. Thomas Braman, of 1223 South Bonsall Street, Philadelphia. Among those at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Riegel, who were faithful friends for fifty years.

Many of us waste time deciding questions which should decide themselves.

## Tiny Helen Keller' in School

Little Helen Siefert, seven years old, of Bridgeport, Neb., unable to speak and deprived of both sight and hearing by illness, is going to school—because the drought country has a heart.

Dollars and pennies grew to a fund of more than \$2,000 when the story of "Nebraska's Helen Keller" became known to newspaper readers. And now Helen has been enrolled for the fall term at the Perkins Institution in Watertown, Mass., where she can learn to converse through her fingertips with the outside world.

Within three days after the child's plight was made known, the original quota of \$1,000 was passed.

It was Mrs. Viola B. Shepherd, county superintendent of schools, who called the case to the attention of Nebraska people.

Two years ago George Seifert, the father, a day laborer, walked into the county superintendent's office and asked, "What are you going to do about Helen? She's got to go to school?"

"Well, we have plenty of schools and we'll put her in one," replied Mrs. Shepherd.

"But you don't understand," the laborer pleaded. "My Helen is different; she can't see or hear anything at all."

Then Mrs. Shepherd learned that Nebraska has facilities to educate the blind or the deaf, but not the deaf-blind. Helen lost her sight and hearing after a three-month siege of spinal meningitis at Saginaw, Mich., when she was two years old.

At Ann Arbor skilled surgeons said nothing could be done then—perhaps later. Four free operations by an Omaha specialist convinced him he could not help.

Mrs. Shepherd wrote to Helen Keller, who referred it to the American Foundation for the Blind. That group suggested the Perkins Institution, equipped to teach the triply handicapped. The problem of \$600 tuition and incidental expenses entered. The newspaper appeal was the last hope.

Railroads donated free transportation. Miss Margaret Hoshor, twenty-seven-year-old school teacher, has agreed to devote seven years to aiding Helen after the year at Watertown, and has accompanied the child to the school.

With Helen's arrival the deaf-blind population of the school has been raised to five. There have been only twenty-two such cases enrolled in the school.—*N. Y. Sun, September 27th.*

## The Fitness of Things

The boy was nearing the time of his graduation from the high school. He was a favorite in the school, says the *Lewiston Journal*, but he had taken higher rank on the baseball and football fields than he had in the classroom, and this was when he began to be sorry. The "exercises" of graduation day loomed large before him. He was down for an essay. It looked more formidable than any obstacle he had ever encountered on the athletic field, and the nearer the day came the larger it looked.

There was a Harvard man staying in the village at the time, and to him, finally, the young athlete went and besought his help in the writing of the essay. The university man was amused, but he concealed his emotions.

"Well," he said, "a graduation essay is a fussy piece of work. I haven't done much writing lately, and I hardly feel like tackling such a job." The boy's face fell.

"Still," the Harvard man added, "I don't know—perhaps—I suppose you've picked out the subject you want to write about?"

"Yes," answered the young athlete, "the subject is 'Self-Reliance.'"



## PHILADELPHIA

News items for this column should be sent to Howard S. Ferguson, 250 W. Sparks St., Olney, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Pennsylvania School for the Deaf football team rang up the curtain on their football season on Saturday afternoon, September 29th, with a smashing and clean-cut 13 to 0 victory over Central Evening High School of Philadelphia. For so early in the season the deaf boys put up a pretty good brand of football, and with a bit more polishing here and there, they should have a team that will rate with the ones of past years gone by. Their two touchdowns resulted from a completed forward pass in the second quarter and a line plunge after a steady march down the field in the last period.

P. S. D. has always been noted for an individual star football player but this year they seem to have two in the making, namely, Furman and Quigley. Both are noted for their line plunging, open field running, passing and kicking, and if the other nine players are up to par at blocking and opening up holes, they should give their coming opponents many a headache.

Shades of Walter Sheppard! Remember him! His name alone is a byword with P. S. D. football. Well, what I am driving at is that P. S. D. is going to have another imitation of Walter soon. He is a little colored lad somewhat resembling Walter in build and action who is at present a substitute half-back. Within a year or so much will be heard from him.

For the benefit of those who have not a schedule and those out of towners who read this column, we are publishing here the following coming games:

Oct. 6—St. John's H. S., at Manayunk, Philadelphia.  
Oct. 13—Audubon H. S., at Mt. Airy. This game should prove the best of the home games.  
Oct. 19—Conshohocken H. S., at Conshohocken, near Norristown.  
Oct. 27—La Salle H. S., at Mt. Airy. This game is pending. If it don't materialize the Fat and Forty Alumni will fill in.  
Nov. 3—Lancaster H. S., at Lancaster.  
Nov. 10—Bethlehem H. S., at Bethlehem.  
Nov. 17—Lansford H. S., away.  
Nov. 24—Landsdowne H. S., at Lansdowne, just outside of the 69th and Market Sts. section.  
Nov. 29—Thanksgiving, Ridley Park Township H. S., at Mt. Airy.

All home games will start at 2:15 P.M., and admission to these will be 25 cents, save for Thanksgiving Day which will be 50 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. V. Brogan are now back in Philadelphia after having been away for a number of years. They have returned from Blacksburg, Va., where they last resided.

Mr. Enoch Grabowski, recently suffering from sinus trouble, underwent an operation for the removal of pieces of bones in his nose last September 19th at the Temple University Hospital. Right now he is entirely recovered and finds himself a new man.

Mr. Chris Unger, after what a recent rainstorm did to his touring car Buick, turned it in and purchased a second hand four-doorsedan of the same make.

Saturday, October 6th, is Donation Day at the Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf at Torresdale. Two buses will leave All Souls' church at ten o'clock in the morning for the Home, returning in the evening after the moving picture show. Fifty cents is all to pay for this round trip fare. The movies is free to all. Ham sandwiches, coffee, ice-cream and candy will be on sale at the Home. Supper in the evening for 35 cents will be charged. Please come and help a good cause, and incidentally enjoy yourselves. The Committee on House Management and the Board of Managers of the P. S. A. D. will hold meetings at the Home during the course of the day.

Surprising persons with birthday parties seems to be the rage nowadays. On Friday evening, September 28th, Mr. H. S. Ferguson gave one in honor of his wife and with the aid of some twenty people managed to make it a pleasing and joyous affair. Many nice and beautiful gifts were presented to her, notably the one from Jim Jennings. The curious can see it by calling in person.

Saturday, September 29th, the next day to be exact, another party was held at Jim Jennings' abode in West Philadelphia. It was in honor of Miss Ada O'Dea, Messrs. Frank Kuhn and George King respectively, whose birthdays have occurred recently on different dates of this month. Presents were given to the three from the twenty guests assembled.

Before I forget it, the respective ages of the four, written about above, are—I have been warned not to publish it, so I'll say—a woman is as old as she looks and a man is as old as he feels. F.

### Theatre Guild Notes

What a theatre! Oh man, what a theatre! It's positively the best theatre the deaf have ever had available for their use—and that includes the world and history. The auditorium is large and airy; the seats are of the regulation padded type and are arranged in the regular semi-circular theatre style; the stage is large enough to hold a convention; there are enough scene-shifting ropes to encircle Manhattan Island and still fit out a ship with what's left; the electric switchboard has more handles and buttons than the instrument panel of a stratosphere balloon. What theatre is this? Why, the Heckscher Theatre, where the Theatre Guild of the Deaf will stage its first show, October 13th.

The members of the Guild, who met at the Heckscher Building last Wednesday to complete plans for organization, were taken on a tour of the fine stage, in which they will soon don the buskins. They saw: A good-sized theatre—compared with places used by the deaf in the past it's immense—well aired and with a high ceiling; colorful and attractive murals on the two walls; 667—count 'em—seats; an orchestra pit, with a piano to tickle the ears of your hearing friends; and a stage—but the stage deserves a paragraph of its own.

The stage itself is fifty by twenty-five feet. There are three fine curtains and several backdrops of various sorts. The scene-shifting is done by means of electricity and blocks and tackle instead of the usual lift 'em up and trust to luck system to which the deaf have been accustomed. The footlights are of the regulation theatre style, as are the floodlights—three rows of them—and the spotlights, which are capable of many degrees of size and intensity. There are twelve dressing rooms, six on each side of the stage, covering two floors. The scenes and property on hand are more varied and of better quality than the deaf have been using, and they will be a big factor in gaining the professional smoothness in changing scenes that put a play over. All in all, the Heckscher Theatre is an ideal showhouse and should yield much inspiration to the Guild members and much pleasure to those who attend Guild theatricals.

### Deaf Group to Aid Helen

OMAHA, NEB., Sept. 1, 1934.—Interest of the National Association of the Deaf has been aroused by the *World-Herald's* efforts in behalf of little blind-deaf Helen Seifert, and the Association will assist if possible. This was made known to day in a communication from Marcus L. Kenner, New York, national president, which was read by Eugene Fry, committeeman, at the twelfth triennial convention of the Nebraska Association of the Deaf at the Rome Hotel.—*Omaha World Herald*.

## OHIO

News items for this column can be sent to Miss B. Edgar, 56 Latta Ave., Columbus, O.

The Columbus Sunday *Dispatch* carried a likeness of Mrs. Roy Nilson, wife of Principal Nilson. She is one of the teachers in the "lip reading school" sponsored by the League for the hard of hearing in Columbus. This league is supported in part by community fund of the city.

Mrs. Nilson last summer took special training for her work at the John Hopkins University. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Whildin of Baltimore, and uses the sign language well when talking to the deaf.

About sixteen people of the younger set in Columbus gave Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller a delightful surprise shower September 22nd. They found the couple pleasantly situated in their apartment in Arlington. Mrs. Miller's (Mary Mac Williams) mother and father were present at the party, and the mother was pleased to meet the deaf again, many of whom she remembered as pupils when she was connected with the school.

A friend showed me a letter which stated that the late William Hay's will had at last been upheld by the law. Relatives made a vigorous fight to break the will. As the estate is settled Mrs. Ruth gets \$1,000 and her married daughter gets Mrs. Hay's home. The Ohio Home was given \$2,000. It took almost one year to get things settled.

Mrs. Walter Wark was hostess for the September birthday party at the Ohio Home yesterday the 26th. Only four celebrated birthdays in September.

These birthday parties are sponsored by the members of the Board of Lady Visitors and through these ladies each resident of the Home receives a birthday greeting card on his or her birthday. Then each month those having birthdays come in that month are given a little party. These parties are much liked and greatly anticipated by the recipients. Each hostess bears her own expenses for the favors, candies, etc.

Mr. Earl Mather is again making his weekly trip from Richmond, Ind., to Columbus to spend the week-end with Mrs. Mather at the Zell home.

Mrs. Ella Zell expects to go to Cincinnati Saturday, the 29th, with Mr. Ernest Zell, who is to be a guest at the birthday surprise party for Mr. Strauss. The party is gotten up by Mr. Duning, another of Mr. Zell's Cincinnati friends.

Weather permitting, many are counting upon having a good time at the weiner roast Saturday at Miss Mac Gregor's home. In that part of the yard back of the house, Miss Mac Gregor has what we all call a park. At one end there is a fine outdoor fire place well built up with rocks and this gives an excellent place for outdoor cooking. The affair is under the auspices of the Columbus Ladies' Aid Society.

Last Friday afternoon after school the teachers and officers were entertained by Supt. and Mrs. Abernathy, honoring the new members of the faulty and the household. Light refreshments were served.

When Mr. James Flood returned to school after spending most of the summer in Kansas and traveling with a party making a hunt for cactus plants, he was seen opening a box containing something very precious. These were his cacti, about 200 specimens, and they are now being cared for in the school conservatory. Later as they root they will be sold and probably Mr. Flood will take in enough to cover part of his summer expenses. This afternoon I had the pleasure of viewing the cacti and it looked as if Mr. Flood had made a good collection. Now I wonder what got him interested in collecting cactus plants. E.

The man of character cannot do inferior work and keep his self-respect.

## Battling With an Octopus

That vampire of the ocean, the octopus, appears from time to time in real-life narratives as fascinating as fiction. Such is the story told in the *Real Magazine* by Capt. S. E. Scott of British Columbia. He was yachting off Victoria with a party of friends, and while alone one evening in a rowboat a mile from the yacht, got into a school of blackfish, one of which struck the little boat with such force that its occupant was sent flying into the water. Captain Scott continues:

It seemed a joke to be upset like that, and I laughed. But this was to be my last laugh for a long time, for just as I had swum back to the boat and laid my hands on the upturned keel, I felt myself seized round the legs, half-way below the knees—seized with such strength and suddenness and pulled down with such tremendous force that the boat was jerked clean over, and came down on the top of my head.

Like lightning came the truth. I was in the arms of a devil-fish.

I knew that the water swarmed with the deadly octopus. I knew that one had got me. There is no mistaking the grasp. Every one of the devil-fish's eight powerful arms closes upon his prey, and he pulls down, down, until he drags it to the bottom.

With a desperate kick I freed myself from the creature below me. Seizing the boat, I had my arm under one of the thwarts when the devil-fish caught me again.

I felt his grasp tighten. The pain was excruciating. With every movement that I made my flesh was lacerated. But I never relaxed my hold of the boat.

The agony must have lasted for only a few minutes in reality, but it seemed an eternity before I felt the clutch on my leg loosen. I kicked with all my strength, struggled, twirled, and then felt myself free. I think my solid boots must have injured the arms of the octopus and compelled him to let go.

It was not until an hour and a half later that my friends noticed that my boat was motionless on the water, and came out to see what was the matter. They found me more dead than alive. The skiu was nearly all gone from my feet to my knees, and above that it remained for weeks as black as a man's hat. For two months afterward I lived only on milk.

Altogether, I was laid up for seven months as the result of my encounter.

James McKinley Cannon, deaf nephew of the late Speaker, "Uncle Joe" Cannon, was seriously injured last Saturday, when his automobile was struck by a B. & O. train at Kensington, Md.

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# GALLAUDET COLLEGE

By Felix Kowalewski

Registration Day at Gallaudet College last week showed that the number of students on Kendall Green at present is 83 men and 55 women, a total of 138 in all. In addition there are six Normals and six post-graduate students.

The list in full is as follows:—

## NORMALS

Alice Rowell, B.S., State Teachers' College, Farmville, Va.  
Isabelle Walker, B.A., Centre College, Danville, Ky.  
Dorothy Winemiller, B.S., Ohio State University.  
Kenneth Braly, Ph.D., Princeton University.  
Helmer Myklebust, B.A., Augustana College.  
Sam Palmer, B.S., University of Tennessee.

## POST-GRADUATES

Heimo Antila, B.A., 1934; Byron Burnes, B.A., 1926; Alan Crammatte, B.A., 1932; Wilson Grabill, B.S., 1934; Howard Hofsteater, B.A., 1930; LeRoy Richings, B.A., 1929.

## SENIOR CLASS

Gerald Adler, Pennsylvania  
Gordon W. Clarke, North Dakota  
Cecil Bruce Davis, Mississippi  
Rudolph Gamblin, Texas  
Marie Susan Goetter, Missouri  
Philip Hanover, Pennsylvania  
Catherine Havens, Pennsylvania  
Leslie G. Hinnant, North Carolina  
Lola Holmgren, Illinois  
Robert W. Horgen, Wisconsin  
Lucille Jones, Alabama  
Emil S. Ladner, California  
Robert F. Layne, California  
Calvin A. Long, Pennsylvania  
Lucy Jane Lucado, Tennessee  
Madeline Mussman, Pennsylvania  
Kenneth Nelson, Washington  
Earl C. Norton, California  
Anton O'Branovich, California  
Katherine V. Slocum, Nebraska

## JUNIOR CLASS

Dora A. Benoit, Kansas  
Mary Till Blackinton, Michigan  
Edith Mae Crawford, Iowa  
David A. Davidowitz, New Jersey  
Thomas E. Delp, Washington  
Robert Greenmun, New York  
Francis C. Higgins, New Jersey  
Lo Dema Hillman, Minnesota  
L. Gordon Hirsch, Arkansas  
John Leicht, Illinois  
Wells C. Logan, Kentucky  
Royal Melville Marsh, North Dakota  
Thelma M. Ott, California  
Leora Viva Ottaway, North Dakota  
Stanley Patrie, New York  
John Slanski, New York  
Louis B. Sorensen, South Dakota  
Lester Stanfill, Washington  
Gladys Annabelle Walford, North Dakota  
Iva Jeanette Weisbrod, Iowa  
Charles E. Whisman, Indiana  
Leda Elvera Wight, California  
Mary Belle Worsham, Missouri  
Ruth Roberta Yeager, Illinois

## SOPHOMORE CLASS

Dolores Atkinson, Wyoming  
Joseph Burnett, Utah  
F. Alfred Caligiuri, New York  
Arietta Cleopatra Clarke, Tennessee  
John B. Davis, Illinois  
Merle John Goodin, Arkansas  
Dorothy Helen Hays, Texas  
Alfred Hoffmeister, New York  
Louis Jozefoski, Washington  
Felix Kowalewski, New York  
Georgiana Krepela, Oregon  
Dan Long, Florida  
Martha Alice Lusk, Missouri  
William S. McCord, North Carolina  
Alfred A. Maertz, Wisconsin  
Jack Montgomery, Minnesota  
Edna Irene Paananen, Michigan  
Doris M. Poyzer, North Dakota  
Valentine Pristera, Pennsylvania  
Hubert J. Sellner, Minnesota  
Verna Thompson, Wisconsin  
Olaf L. Tollefson, North Dakota  
John P. Vogt, Washington

## FRESHMAN CLASS

Eli Conley Akin, Tennessee  
Otto Berg, North Dakota  
Francis Boyd, Tennessee  
Alvin Brothier, California  
Norman Brown, Arkansas  
Vivian Burditt, Illinois  
Vivian Byars, Mississippi  
James Culbertson, Arkansas  
George Culbertson, Colorado  
Hazel Davis, Texas  
Race Drake, Arkansas  
James Ellerhorst, Ohio  
Edward Farnell, North Carolina  
Frank Higgs, Texas  
Leo Jacobs, California  
Marie John, South Dakota  
Wallace Kinlaw, North Carolina  
Ethel Koob, New York  
John Kuglitsch, Wisconsin  
Charles McNeilly, Florida  
Bertha Marshall, New York  
Lynn Miller, Ohio  
Robert Miller, California  
Dorothy Nichols, Pennsylvania  
Henry Reidelberger, Illinois  
Ida Silverman, New Jersey  
Theodore Tucker, Oklahoma  
Aleck Watso, California

## PREPARATORY CLASS

Raymond Atwood, Louisiana  
Lawrence Baltenbach, Ohio  
Ola Benoit, Kansas  
Anna M. Boohar, Ohio  
Leighton Bradley, South Carolina  
Clive Breedlove, Indiana  
Robert Brown, Colorado  
Velma Cabe, Oklahoma  
Rhode Clark, Connecticut  
Fred Cobb, Mississippi  
Beora Collins, Oklahoma  
Alexander Ewan, District of Columbia  
Rosie Fong, California  
Angelina Fossaceca, Ohio  
John W. Glasett, Utah  
Robert Haggard, Missouri  
Lillian Hahn, California  
Edna Harbin, South Carolina  
Raymond Hoehn, Illinois  
Florence Hunter, Pennsylvania  
Marian Magee, Oregon  
Catherine Marshall, California  
Myroslawa Mazur, New York  
Eldon Mehrer, South Dakota  
Mary I. Miller, Maryland  
Anthony Nogosek, Wisconsin  
Sarah Poston, South Carolina  
Alden C. Ravn, Wisconsin  
Lynton Rider, New York  
Louis Ritter, Ohio  
Edwin Roberts, Minnesota  
Florence Sabins, Montana  
Henry Stack, Missouri  
Lorraine Szablewski, Wisconsin  
Jeff Tharp, Alabama  
Callie Tubb, Arkansas  
Rodney Walker, Utah  
Ned Wheeler, Utah

Of the Post-Graduate students, Heimo Antila is boys' supervisor at the Kendall School, and Wilson Grabill is holding down a statistician's position at the government Census Bureau.

The college was formally opened for the year 1934-35 on Wednesday, September 19th. The next few days were spent in renewing old acquaintances and making new ones. Saturday evening, the 22d, was "Get Acquainted" night, with Dr. and Mrs. Hall and the members of the Faculty on the receiving line. Refreshments of sherbet and cookies were served, and ten o'clock came around before all had a chance to become really acquainted.

College Hall was all dressed up in stilts and ladders during the summer when some repairs were made to the roof and walls, as well as some repainting work. Most of the rooms have been repainted, and a good deal of new flooring and woodwork has been set in. A new flight of steps has been installed on one side of the Old Gym, offering an easy access to the gallery on the second floor, and also serving as an extra precaution in case of fire.

Because of some delay in printing, the Senior Annual was unable to be circulated on time last June, but copies were finally sent out to subscribers last week, and it is hoped that the beauty of the colored photographs of campus scenes will make up for the tardiness of its appearance. The graduating class of 1934 also presented the *Buff and Blue* with a gift of one hundred dollars, and it has been proposed to set it aside as a sort of emergency fund, and a name for this fund will be decided on later.

At the last regular meeting of the *Buff and Blue* last May, the following officers were elected for the 1934-35 board: Editor, Emil Ladner, '35; Assistant Editors, David Davidowitz, and Robert Greenmun, '36; Associate Editors, Ruth Yeager, '36, Felix Kowalewski, Edna Paananen, George Parks, Hubert Sellner, and Olaf Tollefson, '37, and Bertha Marshall, '38; Alumni Editor, Roy J. Stewart, '39; As We See It, Alfred Hoffmeister, '37; Business Manager, Gerald Adler, '35; Assistant Business Manager, Louis Sorensen, '36; Circulation Manager, Francis Higgins, '36; Advertising Manager, Valentine Pristera, '37; Assistant Advertising Manager, Aleck Watso, '38; Printer, Charles Whisman, '36. At a special meeting held last week, Miss Vera Thompson, '37, was elected to the board as an Associate Editor to replace George Parks, '37, who is on a year's leave of absence.

The *Buff and Blue* is being rejuvenated this year to keep up with the changing times. Beginning with the issue of October 11th, it will come out every two weeks in the form of a four-page newspaper containing all the

latest college news in detail, as well as several extra features, including an enlarged Alumni Column under the direction of Mr. Stewart. It will make its appearance three times a year in the form of the old magazine, but the issue will be devoted alone to stories, poems, and essays by students and alumnae. A fourth issue will be the Senior Annual. The change is considered as being an experiment for this year, and its success depends upon its reception by the alumnae subscribers and other outside readers. It is hoped that its new form will awaken the interest of the deaf at large and help to bring in an increased flow of subscriptions.

At a recent meeting in the Lyceum, the following were elected as officers of the various organizations for the first term: G. C. A. A.—President, Lester Stanfill, '36; First Vice-President, Stanley Patrie, '36; Second Vice-President, Louis Jozefoski, '37; Secretary, L. Gordon Hirsch, '36; Treasurer, Francis Higgins, '36; Assistant Treasurer, Merle Goodin, '37. Auditing Committee, Prof. Allison, Lester Stanfill, and Robert Greenmun, '36. Managers and Assistants: Football, Gerald Adler, '35, Robert Greenmun, '36; Basketball, Anton O'Branovich, '35, David Davidowitz, '36; Wrestling, Felix Kowalewski, '37, Francis Boyd, '38; Track, Robert Horgen, '35, Charles Whisman, '36; Tennis, Alfred Hoffmeister, '37. Scorer and Assistant, Louis Sorensen, '36, Ted Tucker, '38. Publicity Manager, "Pop" Nelson, '35; Cheer Leader, Charles Norton, '35, with Edward Farnell, '38, as assistant.

Literary Society: Gordon Clarke, '35, president; David Davidowitz, '36, vice-president; Louis Jozefoski, '37, secretary; Hubert Sellner, '37, treasurer.

Dramatic Club: Philip Hanover, '35, president; John Leicht, '36, vice-president; Alfred Hoffmeister, '37, secretary; John Burnett, '37, treasurer. Play Committee, Philip Hanover, '35, Lester Stanfill, '36, Alfred Caligiuri and Felix Kowalewski, '37.

Movie Club: Earl Norton, '35, president; Stanley Patrie, '36, vice-president; Louis Jozefoski, '37, secretary; Merle Goodin, '37, treasurer.

The Senior Class has elected the following officers to uphold their class through the last year at Gallaudet: Emil Ladner, president; Madeline Mussman, vice-president; Anton O'Branovich, secretary; Calvin Long, treasurer. Incidentally, the above named held the same offices last year, and were all re-elected by acclamation. The sincere good wishes of the undergraduates go with the Seniors for an outstanding and successful year.

The Washington Monument is to be given its first bath since it was erected. The scaffolding has been rising slowly higher each day—at the time of this writing it has nearly reached the top of the column. The Monument, as well as the Capitol, and most of the other important buildings of Washington, can be seen very clearly from the upper floors of College Hall, and the bath is a subject of great interest to the students.

A series of Orientation lectures has been under way the past week, the first having been presented last Tuesday by Professor Irving Fufeld, on "How to Study." Thursday evening, Dean Walter Krug gave instructive pointers on "Keeping Fit." After the Sunday School services last Sunday, Dr. Hall delivered the third lecture of the series, with a discourse on "A Fuller Life." The next lecture will be presented in Chapel Hall at 6:30 p.m., on the evening of Tuesday, October 2d, but the subject and speaker have not yet been announced. The concluding lecture will be given on Thursday evening, October 4th, by our Head Seniors, Miss Madeline Mussman and Rudolph Gamblin in the form of an essay, "College Life from the Point of View of the Upper Classes."

The first regular meeting of the Literary Society is scheduled for the evening of October 5th, starting at

7:30 p.m. The following program will be presented: Lecture, Dr. Percival Hall; Dialogue, Lynn Miller, Ted Tucker, '38; Declamation, Valentine Pristera, '37. The deaf of Washington and other chance visitors are invited to attend.

The Y. W. C. A. held a reception in the Reading Room of Fowler Hall, from four to six on the afternoon of September 21st. The co-eds of the Preparatory Class and other new co-eds were introduced to the girls of the Upper Classes. The association held a Candle-Lighting Service on Sunday evening, the 23d, during which the new co-eds were initiated as members.

The G. C. W. A. A. had planned a "Weiner Roast" to be held in Pater-son Woods on Saturday evening, but wet weather changed it into an indoor outing held in the Girls' Gym. A regular picnic supper was served, after which the Preps gave a play, in which an omnibus decided to have a flat tire, just when a hold-up was under way, but as soon as all the passengers had disembarked, the cowardly possum of a bus came to life and ran off by itself. The play was followed by impromptu dances, skits, and monologues given by the other girls, and an enjoyable time was had.

Thirty-eight men turned out for the football squad on the opening day of college, most of them last year's regulars. The new Preps are still mighty green, but some of them seem quite promising. Some fifteen members of the squad showed up for training some two weeks before the opening of college, and after weathering the tongue-lashing and endless exercises of Coach Hughes and his assistant, Dean Krug, they are now hard as nails. Our linemen look good—all of them being over five-feet-nine in height—but they seem to lack the ability to go in fast enough as yet. Drake, Tucker, Hoffmeister, Montgomery, Akin, Kuglitsch, Stanfill, and Goodin, bid fair to make a powerful backfield. Drake as quarterback, is especially good at worming through the line, and Akin is some charger!

Hoffmeister has been out for a while with a leg injury which fortunately, was not serious enough to keep him from brushing up on his punting, and the ball certainly is showing signs of wear and tear from his booting. Kuglitsch had a little ankle trouble, but will be back on the field in time for the Louisburg game, and how that boy can elude tacklers in broken field running! "Wimpy" Montgomery gets fighting mad every time he gets hold of the pigskin, and looks as if he were going to bite anyone with the nerve to get close enough to him. The first game of the season will be with Louisburg College of North Carolina at Hotchkiss Field, this Saturday, October 6th. Come on Boys,—we're all rooting for you! The remainder of the schedule is given below:

Oct. 13—Washington College at Chester-town, Md.  
Oct. 20—Bridgewater College at Bridge-water, Va.  
Oct. 27—Fort Meade at Fort Meade, Md.  
Nov. 3—American University at American University.  
Nov. 9—Apprentice School at Newport News, Va.  
Nov. 17—Randolph-Macon College at home.  
Nov. 24—Shenandoah College (Home-Coming Game).

Attention of the Alumni and others interested is called to the Home-coming Game on the 24th. It is hoped that they will entrain for Washington en masse and make the game and the Football Dance that evening a sort of Reunion. For tickets and other information write to Gerald Adler, Football Manager, care of the College.

Mrs. Harley Drake is to be credited with being the first to put Kendall Green on the map this year, by capturing two firsts and a third prize, in a Dahlia show held in the Capital City recently. Incidentally the shoots originated from the gardens of Mr. Veditz out Colorado-way. Congratulations!

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### A Python That Loved Music

Hamburg, as many know, is the great headquarters of the trade in wild animals for menageries and "zoos." To Hamburg are shipped lions, elephants and giraffes, captured in South and East Africa, tigers from India, jaguars and tapirs from South America, gorillas from the Congo, orang-utans from Borneo, and, in fact, about every kind of beast, bird and reptile from all quarters of the globe.

The warehouse of the two principal firms engaged in this business are interesting places to visit after the arrival of a "beast ship," with new or unusually large specimens of animal life.

The narrator made such a visit a few weeks since, on the arrival of a remarkably large, brilliantly marked python, shipped from Padang, Sumatra. This colubrine giant is more than thirty feet in length, and was bought for a zoo in Budapest.

But the story of its capture is even more interesting than the huge creature itself, for this python had fallen a victim to its fondness for the notes of a violin.

There is a telegraph-line extending across Sumatra, from Padang, connecting that port, by means of submarine cables, with Batavia and Singapore.

Along this line of land wire are a number of interior stations. One of these, called Pali-lo-pom, has been in charge of an operator named Carlos Gambrino, a mestizo from Batavia, Java, educated at the industrial school there.

The station is on a hillock in the valley of the river Kampar, and is adjacent to dense forest, jungle and a long morass. It is a solitary little place, consisting merely of four or five thatched huts, elevated on posts to a height of six feet from the ground, to be more secure from noxious insects, reptiles and wild beasts.

The station is at the junction of two native roads, or trails, along which the interior trade of the island is conducted after a desultory fashion: and as a rule Gambrino has little enough to do, except listen to the ticking of the instrument, monotonously repeating messages to remote points in which he can feel little interest. For solace and company, therefore, he frequently has recourse to his violin.

Thatched houses on posts in Sumatra are not commonly supplied with glass windows; but Gambrino had afforded himself the luxury of a two-pane sash, set to slide in an aperture in the side wall of his hut, and some five or six months ago, during the wet season, he was sitting at his window one afternoon, as he played his violin, when he saw the head of a large serpent rise out of the high grass, at a distance of seventy or eighty yards.

His first impulse was to get his carbine and try to shoot the monster, for he saw that it was a very large python, and not a desirable neighbor. But something in the attitude of the reptile led him to surmise that it had raised itself to hear the violin, and he passed at once to a lively air.

As long as he continued playing the python remained there, apparently motionless; but when he ceased it drew its head down, and he saw nothing more of it that day, although he went out with his gun to look for it.

Nearly a fortnight passed, and the incident had gone from his mind—for large snakes are not uncommon in Sumatra—when one night, as he was playing the violin to some native acquaintances who had come to the hut, they heard the sounds made by a large snake sliding across the bamboo platform or floor of the little veranda. On looking out with a light, one of the party saw a huge, mottled python gliding away.

But it was not until the reptile appeared a third time, raising its

head near his window, that the telegrapher became certain that it was really his violin which attracted.

In the meantime the operator at Padang, with whom Gambrino held daily conversations by wire, had told him that the German agent of a Hamburg house at that port would pay ten pounds, English money, for such a python as he described.

Gambrino began scheming to capture the reptile. In one of the huts at the station there was stored a quantity of fiber rope, such as is used in Sumatra for bridging small rivers and ravines.

Gambrino contrived three large nooses from this rope, which he elevated horizontally, on bamboo poles, to the height of his window, and carried the drawing ends of the nooses inside the hut.

This was done after the operator had ascertained that at times the snake would come about the house and rise its head if it heard the violin.

Some time later the python was beguiled by the music into raising its head inside one of the nooses, which a native, who was on the watch while Gambrino played, instantly jerked tight.

What followed was exciting. The reptile resented the trick with vigor, and showed itself possessed of far more strength than they had expected.

The rope had been made fast to a beam inside, and the snake nearly pulled the entire structure down, making it rock and creak in a way that caused Gambrino and his native ally to leap to the ground in haste from a back entrance. The reptile coiled its body about the posts and pulled desperately to break away. Altogether, it was a wild night at this little remote telegraph-station.

The next morning a crowd of natives collected; and as the python had by this time exhausted itself, they contrived to hoist its head as high as the roof of the hut and to secure its tail.

It was then lowered into a molasses hogshead, which was covered over and trussed up securely with ropes.

In this condition the python was drawn to Padang on a bullock cart. It is said to weigh more than four hundred pounds.

### An Oriental Stratagem

Many a man has failed to guess an easy riddle because the simple solution looked like a trap to him. V. C. records an instance in which this trait of human nature was cleverly played upon by a Japanese nobleman.

The old lord had been forced to flee with only three hundred men before an enemy with ten thousand, and barely had time to reach his castle ahead of his foes. There were no reinforcements near at hand, and he knew that if an attempt was made to storm his defense he and his men would be dead before help could come.

The enemy's forces advanced rapidly, and scouts rode up near the castle to reconnoiter. To their amazement they found the gates, doors and windows open, and all the appearance of a holiday celebration. They rode hastily back to inform their master that the foe was dancing, and that bands were playing music in the castle.

The powerful enemy was too wise a man to put his head into any such trap as that. The defenders of the castle must have some plan to slaughter his forces by wholesale, or they would never invite him in that way. He drew back a safe distance, and encamped to await developments.

Soon the reinforcements for the castle came up behind, attacked him suddenly and defeated him, while the garrison which had risked all on its stratagem charged him on the other side.

### Hottentot Helpers

In some letters on housekeeping in southwestern Africa, Frau Margaret von Eckenbrecher gives an amusing glimpse of her domestic trials.

"Unfortunately, I knew very little of the Herero or Hottentot language," she writes, "and in the absence of my husband I was forced to renounce my ideas concerning the virtue of moral suasion and to admit that the lash of my riding-whip was the only tongue to which the lazy, grinning, good-natured black fellows who were supposed to serve me would pay the slightest heed."

"As a possible ease to some of my perplexities, my husband engaged for me the services of a certain Pauline, a comely Hottentot girl who spoke a little German, and who boasted descent from a Hottentot king. This young lady arrived with a suite of nine copper-colored maidens in waiting. They trooped into my living-room and squatted themselves on the floor close to the wall, where they made a burnished copper dado that was decorative at least."

"Here they fell to smoking, chewing and chattering like magpies—the subject evidently me—the point of view not entirely flattering."

"I dismissed the suite as promptly as possible, thereby incurring, of course, the displeasure of the Princess Pauline. During the days that followed I was repeatedly awakened from my early morning nap by the royal mother outside my window, in an easy disregard of clothing, but wreathed in insinuating smiles as she begged for a handful of coffee or sugar. A horde of hungry relatives of high degree threatened to create a famine among us, so I served my connection with Hottentot aristocracy as soon as possible."

"Carl, our head cook, is a Herero, and like all of his tribe, is as fond of sweets as parrot or monkey. Until discovered, this worthy wore a nail in the heel of his shoe, projecting spur-fashion, with which, whenever he accompanied me into the storeroom, he cleverly tore holes in the sugar bags, collecting the ensuing leakage in his handkerchief when my back was turned."

"Kombani, our gardener, stole into the kraal at night and sucked our goat dry of every drop of milk; the best lambs from our little flock never found their way to our kitchen; provisions disappeared like morning dew. On every side there was theft and waste which we strove in vain to check."

"Only in Isaak did I discover a kind of rudimentary frugality, and this could at times take a vexatious turn. Water, always a scarce commodity with us, made all laundry-work difficult and expensive."

"At a dinner-party given to distinguished guests on whom I wished to make a specially good impression, Isaak officiated as head waiter, a snowy napkin over his arm with which to give a finishing touch to each clean plate. He wore a linen blouse tucked into his trousers, and, to my horror, during the progress of the dinner, I saw him draw forth the blouse and vigorously wipe in its ample folds the plate which he then proudly set before his excellency, Count B."

"'Never mind, *gnadige frau!*' Isaak exclaimed, reassuringly as he saw my agonized look. 'The blouse isn't clean, and I'm saving the napkin for the luncheon on Tuesday.'"

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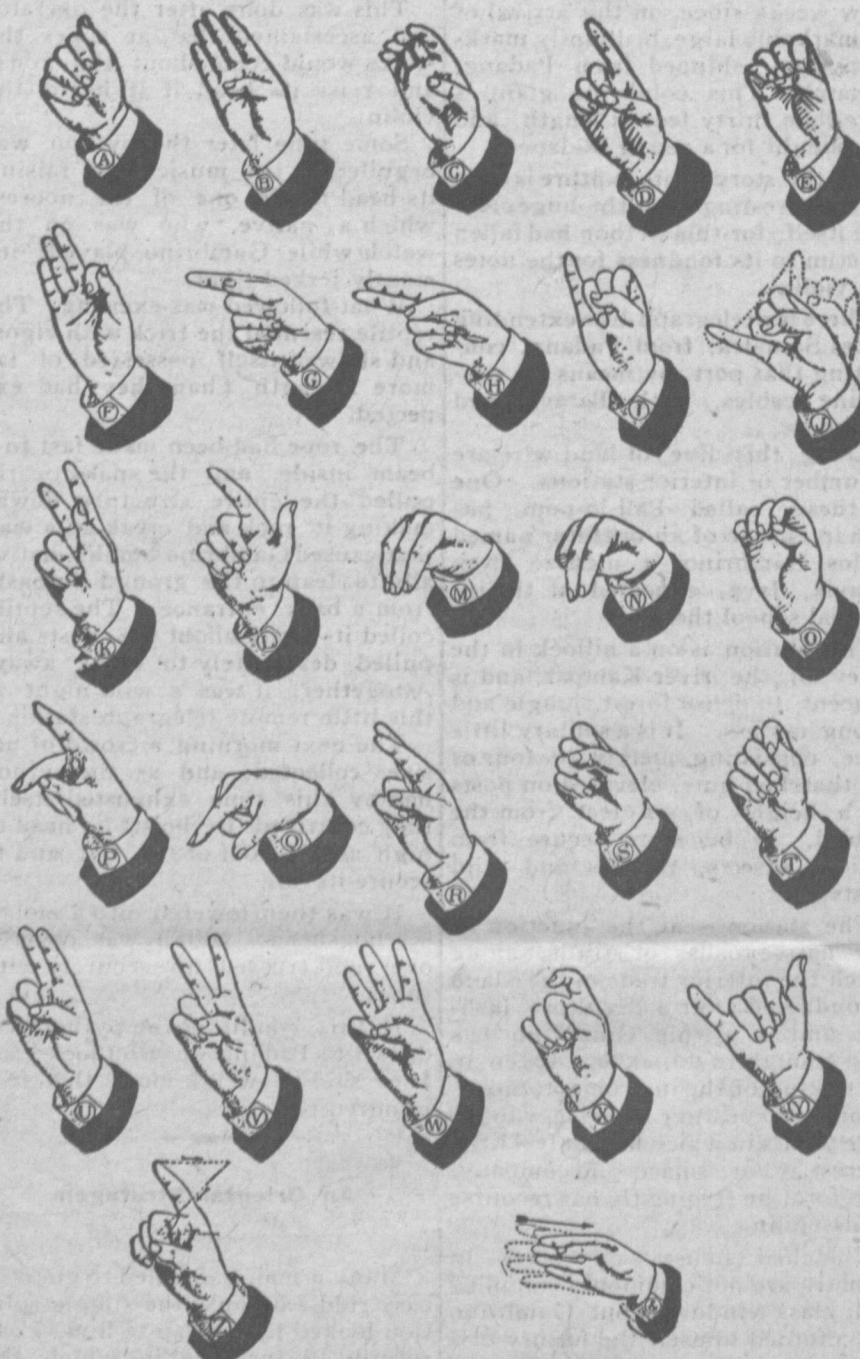
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